

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/209,815

Applicant(s)
Ferstenberg et al

Examiner
James Myhre

Group Art Unit
2162

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Eric Stamber

(4) Steven Wallach & Maurico Karchamer

Date of Interview Jun 14, 2001

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☒ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 87

Identification of prior art discussed:
Ausubel (5,905,975) and Thiessen (5,495,412)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

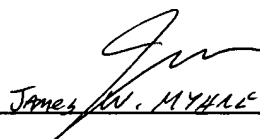
Applicants explained how their invention differed from an auction as disclosed in Ausubel. The Examiner noted various auction models that seemed to read on the claim language. The Examiner also pointed out some terms in the claim which were a little unclear. The Applicants agreed to examine and possibly amend these terms more clearly define the desired concepts. Thiessen's negotiation process using satisfaction criteria was briefly discussed. Applicants indicated a better understanding of the prior art and will present an amendment to more clearly define how the invention differs from the prior art.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.


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